MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS,

To defray the Expenses of the Indian Wars, and the destruction and loss of Property.

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives
of the United States in Congress assembled:

We your Memorialists, the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Utah, respectfully represent to your honorable body: That since the settlement of what is now the Territory of Utah, by your Memorialists, frequent outrages and depredations have been, and continue to be committed, upon the persons and property of the citizens of this Territory, by various tribes inhabiting this Territory: and,

Whereas many of the settlements have been necessarily evacuated to preserve life, and our stock driven off in herds, at the defiance of their owners; and our houses, and mills, have been burned; and our harvest fields have been stripped of their crops: and,

Whereas we have been under the necessity of keeping up a strict Military discipline, for the safety of our persons and property: and,

Whereas, the Adjutant General has, and will make a full report, of all the expenditures, and losses of property incurred, through the Indian depredations in this Territory, to the War Department at Washington City: and,

Whereas, it has heretofore invariably been the usage of Congress, to judiciously, and wisely appropriate the necessary means, for the relief of the citizens of other States and Territories, suffering like losses, when duly reported by the proper officers:—

Your Memorialists therefore pray your honorable body to call for said Report or Reports, and appropriate a sufficient sum, to pay the expenses and losses set forth in said Report or Reports, believing the same to be just and due to the citizens of this infant Territory; and your Memorialists as in duty bound will ever pray.

W. RICHARDS,
President of the Council.

J. M. GRANT,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Approved January 17th, 1854.

BRIGHAM YOUNG,
Governor of Utah Territory.